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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 0252

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OAS, EC,

SUBJECT: ECUADOREAN POSITION ON OASGA SITE

REFS: (A) STATE 5850; (B) QUITO 77 8636;

1. POLCOUNSELOR CALLED ON HERNAN VEINTIMILLA, DIRGEN OF
POLITICAL AFFAIRS, TO MAKE DEMARCHE ALONG LINES SUGGESTED
REF A. POLCOUNSELOR AND VEINTIMILLA HAD PREVIOUSLY
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DISCUSSED MATTER INFORMALLY (REF B) ON DECEMBER 27 WHEN IT
WAS REVEALED THAT ECUADOR HAD ALREADY INFORMED URUGUAY THAT
IT WOULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF ITS OFFER.

2. AFTER LISTENING TO POLCOUNSELOR'S PRESENTATION,
VEINTIMILLA REPLIED THAT HE FULLY SYMPATHIZED WITH US
CONCERNS. NEVERTHELESS, FROM A JURIDICAL STANDPOINT

AS WELL AS BECAUSE ECUADOR COULD HARDLY RENEGE ON ITS COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT URUGUAY AT THIS LATE DATE, GOE COULD NOT CHANGE ITS VOTE. HOWEVER, VEINTIMILLA WAS FOUND TO BE FORTHCOMING IN DESIRING TO COOPERATE WITH US IN ITS EFFORTS TO MAKE URUGUAY MORE PALATABLE FROM A HUMAN RIGHTS STANDPOINT SHORT OF CHANGING ITS VOTE. HE SAID THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO DRAFT INSTRUCTIONS TO AMBASSADOR LEORO INFORMING HIM TO DO EVERYTHING HE POSSIBLY COULD TO EXTRACT AN INVITATION FROM URUGUAY TO THE IAHRC. HE OBSERVED THAT LEORO, GIVEN HIS COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROLE, COULD BE VERY USEFUL. HE ALSO MUSED THAT THE VOTE POSTPONEMENTS WERE ALREADY PRESSURING URUGUAY TO RETHINK ITS ATTITUDE AND THAT PERHAPS MORE OF THE SAME WOULD PUSH IT EVEN CLOSER. VEINTIMILLA SUGGESTED THAT ONCE LEORO RECEIVED HIS NEW INSTRUCTIONS, HE WOULD BE VERY RECEPTIVE TO A DIRECT APPROACH BY USOASDEL CONCERNING COMMON STRATEGY. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO CLEAR THE CABLE WITH FONMIN AYALA HOST.

3. VEINTIMILLA INFORMED EMB ON AFTERNOON OF JANUARY 13 THAT FONMIN HAD SIGNED OFF ON INSTRUCTION AS OUTLINED PREVIOUSLY BY VEINTIMILLA. HOWEVER, FONMIN HAD ALSO ADMONISHED AMB LEORO THAT HE SHOULD NOT DESTROY HIS "FREEDOM OF ACTION" AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT IN HIS EFFORTS TO ELICIT INVITATION FROM URUGUAY. CONFIDENTIAL

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